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Fill in this information to identify your case:		
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:		
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS		
Case number (if known)	Chapter you are filing under:	
	■ Chapter 7	
	☐ Chapter 11	
	☐ Chapter 12	
	☐ Chapter 13	Check if this an amended filing

### Official Form 101

### **Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy**

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The bankruptcy forms use you and Debtor 1 to refer to a debtor filing alone. A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*—and in joint cases, these forms use you to ask for information from both debtors. For example, if a form asks, "Do you own a car," the answer would be yes if either debtor owns a car. When information is needed about the spouses separately, the form uses *Debtor 1* and *Debtor 2* to distinguish between them. In joint cases, one of the spouses must report information as *Debtor 1* and the other as *Debtor 2*. The same person must be *Debtor 1* in all of the forms.

Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known). Answer every question.

Pai	t 1: Identify Yourself					
		About Debtor 1:		About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):		
1.	Your full name					
	Write the name that is on your government-issued picture identification (for example, your driver's license or passport).  Bring your picture identification to your meeting with the trustee.	Stanley First name  Middle name  Barnes  Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)		Annette First name  L. Middle name  Barnes  Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)		
2.	All other names you have used in the last 8 years Include your married or maiden names.					
3.	Only the last 4 digits of your Social Security number or federal Individual Taxpayer Identification number (ITIN)	xxx-xx-7175		xxx-xx-4652		

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Debtor 1 Stanley Barnes
Debtor 2 Annette L. Barnes

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		About Debtor 1:	About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):		
4.	Any business names and Employer Identification Numbers (EIN) you have used in the last 8 years Include trade names and doing business as names	I have not used any business name or EINs.  Business name(s)  EINs	■ I have not used any business name or EINs.  Business name(s)  EINs		
5.	Where you live	22846 Millard Ave	If Debtor 2 lives at a different address:		
		Richton Park, IL 60471  Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code	Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code		
		Cook			
		County	County		
		If your mailing address is different from the one above, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to you at this mailing address.	If Debtor 2's mailing address is different from yours, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to this mailing address.  Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code		
		Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code			
6.	Why you are choosing this district to file for bankruptcy	Check one:  Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district.  I have another reason. Explain (See 28 LLS C. § 1408.)	Check one:  Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district.  I have another reason.  Explain (See 28 LIS C. § 1408.)		
		Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)	Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)		

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Der	otor 2 Annette L. Barnes	;			ase number (if known)		
Par	t 2: Tell the Court About	Your Bankruptc	y Case				
7.	The chapter of the Bankruptcy Code you are	Check one. (For a brief description of each, see Notice Required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy (Form 2010)). Also, go to the top of page 1 and check the appropriate box.					
	choosing to file under	Chapter 7					
		☐ Chapter 11					
		☐ Chapter 12					
		☐ Chapter 13					
8.	How you will pay the fee	about how order. If y	w you may pay. T	ypically, if you are paying the fee you	with the clerk's office in your local court for more or rself, you may pay with cash, cashier's check, or f, your attorney may pay with a credit card or check.	money	
		☐ I need to	pay the fee in in	nstallments. If you choose this option	, sign and attach the Application for Individuals to	Pay	
		☐ I request	t that my fee be verified to, waive	e your fèe, and may do so only if you	only if you are filing for Chapter 7. By law, a judge r income is less than 150% of the official poverty l installments). If you choose this option, you must	line that	
					al Form 103B) and file it with your petition.	iii out	
9.	Have you filed for bankruptcy within the	■ No.					
	last 8 years?	☐ Yes.					
		Dist		When	Case number		
		Dist		When	Case number		
		Dist	лст	When	Case number		
10.	Are any bankruptcy cases pending or being	■ No					
	filed by a spouse who is not filing this case with you, or by a business partner, or by an affiliate?	☐ Yes.					
		Deb	tor		Relationship to you		
		Dist	rict	When	Case number, if known		
		Deb	tor		Relationship to you		
		Dist	rict	When	Case number, if known		
11.	Do you rent your	■ No. Go	to line 12.				
	residence?	☐ Yes. Ha	s your landlord ob	btained an eviction judgment against	you?		
			No. Go to lin	ne 12.			
			Yes. Fill out this bankrupt		udgment Against You (Form 101A) and file it as pa	art of	

Debtor 1

**Stanley Barnes** 

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Par	t 3: Report About Any Bu	sinesses	You Own	as a Sole Propriet	tor		
12.	Are you a sole proprietor of any full- or part-time business?	■ No.	Go to	Part 4.			
		☐ Yes.	Name	and location of bus	siness		
	A sole proprietorship is a business you operate as an individual, and is not a separate legal entity such as a corporation, partnership, or LLC.	Name of business, if any		of business, if any			
	If you have more than one sole proprietorship, use a	han one Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code , use a			te & ZIP Code		
	separate sheet and attach it to this petition.		Chack	k the appropriate ho	ox to describe your business:		
	it to this potition.				ness (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A))		
					Estate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B))		
					lefined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A))		
				`	er (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6))		
				None of the above			
13.	Are you filing under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code and are you a small business debtor?	deadlines operation	you are filing under Chapter 11, the court must know whether you are a small business debtor so that it can set appropriate eadlines. If you indicate that you are a small business debtor, you must attach your most recent balance sheet, statement of perations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure 11 U.S.C. 1116(1)(B).				
	For a definition of small	■ No.	I am n	not filing under Chap	oter 11.		
	business debtor, see 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D).	□ No.	I am fi Code.		11, but I am NOT a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy		
		☐ Yes.	I am fi	ling under Chapter	11 and I am a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy Code.		
Par	t 4: Report if You Own or	Have Any	Hazardo	us Property or An	y Property That Needs Immediate Attention		
14.	Do you own or have any	■ No.					
	property that poses or is alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable hazard to	☐ Yes.	What is t	the hazard?			
public health or safety? Or do you own any property that needs							
			<b>,</b>	,			
	For example, do you own perishable goods, or livestock that must be fed, or a building that needs urgent repairs?		Where is	s the property?			
	argent repairs!				Number, Street, City, State & Zip Code		

Debtor 1

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Debtor 1 Stanley Barnes

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Part 5:

Explain Your Efforts to Receive a Briefing About Credit Counseling

### Tell the court whether you have received a briefing about credit counseling.

The law requires that you receive a briefing about credit counseling before you file for bankruptcy. You must truthfully check one of the following choices. If you cannot do so, you are not eligible to file.

If you file anyway, the court can dismiss your case, you will lose whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors can begin collection activities again.

#### **About Debtor 1:**

You must check one:

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

Within 14 days after you file this bankruptcy petition, you MUST file a copy of the certificate and payment plan, if any.

I certify that I asked for credit counseling services from an approved agency, but was unable to obtain those services during the 7 days after I made my request, and exigent circumstances merit a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement.

To ask for a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement, attach a separate sheet explaining what efforts you made to obtain the briefing, why you were unable to obtain it before you filed for bankruptcy, and what exigent circumstances required you to file this case.

Your case may be dismissed if the court is dissatisfied with your reasons for not receiving a briefing before you filed for bankruptcy. If the court is satisfied with your reasons, you must still receive a briefing within 30 days after you file. You must file a certificate from the approved agency, along with a copy of the payment plan you developed, if any. If you do not do so, your case may be dismissed.

Any extension of the 30-day deadline is granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days.

I am not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling because of:

☐ Incapacity.

I have a mental illness or a mental deficiency that makes me incapable of realizing or making rational decisions about finances.

Disability.

My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

☐ Active duty.

I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver credit counseling with the court.

About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):

You must check one.

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

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I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

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	tor 2 Annette L. Barnes	i			Case nu	mber (if known)		
Par	6: Answer These Quest	ions for Re	eporting Purposes					
16.	What kind of debts do you have?	16a.		urily consumer debts? Cons a personal, family, or househ		defined in 11 U.S.C. § 1	01(8) as "incurred by an	
			☐ No. Go to line 16b.					
			■ Yes. Go to line 17.					
16b. <b>Are your debts primarily business debts?</b> Business del money for a business or investment or through the operati								
			☐ No. Go to line 16c.					
			☐ Yes. Go to line 17.					
		16c.	State the type of debts	you owe that are not consun	ner debts or bus	siness debts		
17.	Are you filing under Chapter 7?	□ No.	I am not filing under Cl	hapter 7. Go to line 18.				
	Do you estimate that after any exempt property is excluded and	■ Yes.		I am filing under Chapter 7. Do you estimate that after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses are paid that funds will be available to distribute to unsecured creditors?				
	administrative expenses are paid that funds will		■ No					
	be available for distribution to unsecured creditors?	ailable for  Yes bution to unsecured						
18.	How many Creditors do	<b>1</b> -49		<b>1</b> ,000-5,000		<b>1</b> 25,001-50,	000	
	you estimate that you owe?	☐ 50-99		5001-10,000		<b>5</b> 0,001-100	0,000	
		☐ 100-19 ☐ 200-9		☐ 10,001-25,00	00	☐ More than1	00,000	
19.	How much do you	<b>S</b> \$0 - \$	50 000	□ \$1,000,001 -	\$10 million	□ \$500,000,0	001 - \$1 billion	
	estimate your assets to be worth?	□ \$50,00	01 - \$100,000	\$10,000,001			0,001 - \$10 billion	
			001 - \$500,000 001 - \$1 million	□ \$50,000,001 □ \$100,000,00			0,001 - \$50 billion \$50 billion	
		<b>L</b> \$500,0		<b>—</b> \$100,000,00		— Word than		
20.	How much do you	□ \$0 - \$		\$1,000,001 -		<b>\$500,000,0</b>		
	estimate your liabilities to be?	_ ` `	001 - \$100,000	□ \$10,000,001 □ \$50,000,001			0,001 - \$10 billion 00,001 - \$50 billion	
			001 - \$500,000 001 - \$1 million	□ \$50,000,001 □ \$100,000,00				
	<u></u>	<b>—</b> \$000,						
Par	7: Sign Below							
For	you	I have ex	camined this petition, and	d I declare under penalty of p	erjury that the ir	nformation provided is tru	ue and correct.	
If I have chosen to file under Chapter 7, I am aware that I may proceed, if eligible, under Chapter 7, 11,12, or 13 of ti United States Code. I understand the relief available under each chapter, and I choose to proceed under Chapter 7.								
If no attorney represents me and I did not pay or agree to pay someone who is not an attorney to help me fill out this document, I have obtained and read the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b).						me fill out this		
		I request	relief in accordance with	h the chapter of title 11, Unite	ed States Code,	specified in this petition.		
			cy case can result in fine	ement, concealing property, c es up to \$250,000, or impriso				
/s/ Stanley Barnes /s/ Annette L. Barnes Annette L. Barnes								
			Barnes e of Debtor 1		Annette L. B Signature of De			
		Executed	d on <b>May 1, 2018</b>		Executed on	May 1, 2018		
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	attorney, if you are ed by one	under Chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, Uni	ited States Code, a	and have e	informed the debtor(s) about eligibility to procexplained the relief available under each chapt debtor(s) the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 34	er
	not represented by ey, you do not need spage.				vledge after an inquiry that the information in th	` '
		/s/ Xiaoming Wu ARDC		Date	May 1, 2018	
		Signature of Attorney for Debtor			MM / DD / YYYY	
		Xiaoming Wu ARDC #6274335 Printed name				
		Ledford, Wu & Borges, LLC				
		105 W. Madison				
		23rd Floor				
		Chicago, IL 60602				
		Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code				

Email address

notice@billbusters.com

Contact phone **312-853-0200** 

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## **United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois**

In r	Stanley Barnes  e Annette L. Barnes		Case No.	
		Debtor(s)	Chapter	7
	DISCLOSURE OF COMPEN	SATION OF ATTO	RNEY FOR DE	EBTOR(S)
1.	Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2016(b compensation paid to me within one year before the filing be rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of	of the petition in bankruptcy	y, or agreed to be paid	to me, for services rendered or to
	For legal services, I have agreed to accept		\$	490.00
	Prior to the filing of this statement I have received		\$	490.00
	Balance Due		\$	0.00
2.	\$ 335.00 of the filing fee has been paid.			
3.	The source of the compensation paid to me was:			
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):			
4.	The source of compensation to be paid to me is:			
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):			
5.	■ I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed comper	nsation with any other person	n unless they are mem	bers and associates of my law firm.
	☐ I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation copy of the agreement, together with a list of the name			
6.	In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to rend	der legal service for all aspec	cts of the bankruptcy c	ase, including:
	<ul> <li>a. Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and renderi</li> <li>b. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, staten</li> <li>c. Representation of the debtor at the meeting of creditors</li> <li>d. [Other provisions as needed]         Attorney's representation of debtors is cocase to pay Attorney for services rendere agreement, the court may allow Attorney     </li> </ul>	nent of affairs and plan whice and confirmation hearing, a and confirmation hearing of anditioned on debtors er d after filing of the case	ch may be required; and any adjourned hea intering into an agre . Should debtors for	rings thereof; eement after the filing of the ail to enter into such an
7.	By agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee of Representation of the debtors in any disc from one chapter to another; reopening of schedule or statement post-filing not due debtors' failure to attend the meeting with	hargeability actions or a f a closed case; judicial to Attorney's fault; and	any other adversary lien avoidance; an attending addition	nending a petition, list,
		CERTIFICATION		
this	I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any a bankruptcy proceeding.	agreement or arrangement for	or payment to me for re	epresentation of the debtor(s) in
_	May 1, 2018  Date	/s/ Xiaoming Wu Xiaoming Wu AF Signature of Attorn Ledford, Wu & E 105 W. Madison 23rd Floor Chicago, IL 6060 312-853-0200 F notice@billbuston	RDC #6274335 ney Borges, LLC 02 ax: 312-873-4693	

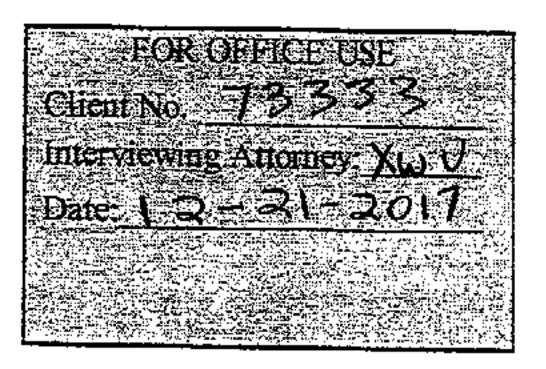
# BILLBUSTERS

Ledford, Wu and Borges, LLC

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# CONSULTATION AGREEMENT



# THIS AGREEMENT IS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW (11 U.S.C. § 528(a))

- 1. Parties: In this contract, "Client" means the undersigned, both individually and jointly; "Attorney" means the law firm of Ledford. Wu & Borges, LLC and its staff attorneys.
- 2. Purpose: Client has requested the opportunity to consult with and obtain information and advice from Attorney concerning options for relief from debts, which may include filing bankruptcy. This agreement is for purposes of that consultation only.
- 3. Client's Duties: In order for Attorney to give meaningful advice, Client agrees to give accurate, honest, full and fair disclosure of financial information concerning income over the past three years from all sources, monthly living expenses, the type and amount of all debts (including names and addresses of all creditors), all assets and property owned by the client, wherever located and by whomever held, and any additional information determined by Attorney to be relevant.
- 4. Services: The attorney agrees to provide Client with the following services:
  - a. analyzing Client's financial circumstances based on information provided by Client:
  - b. to the extent possible, advising Client of bankruptcy options and non-bankruptcy options based on the information provided by Client;
  - if Client has not provided Attorney with sufficient information upon which to fully advise Client on Client's
    options, informing Client what additional information Client needs to provide in order to enable Attorney to
    provide such advice and information;
  - d. where applicable, advising Client of the requirements placed upon Client to file a bankruptcy; and
  - e. to the extent possible, quoting a fee for providing bankruptcy and/or nonbankruptcy assistance to Client

5. Fees (check one):
A consultation fee will be waived if Client decides not to retain Attorney, in which case the attorney-clien relationship shall terminate at the conclusion of the interview
Client agrees to pay \$ in nonrefundable consultation fee
In the event Client decides to retain Attorney, this consultation becomes billable and is covered by the legal fee charged for the case, and a new written contract, as well as a Court-Approved Retention Agreement if applicable, must be signed by Client and Attorney, which shall supersede this agreement. The new agreement(s) will also provide a detailed explanation of the parties' obligations and a breakdown of the costs.
6. Acknowledgement: Client acknowledges that the first date upon which Attorney provided any bankruptcy assistance to Client is the date noted above, and that Attorney provided Client with a copy of this agreement and the disclosure and information mandated by Section 527(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.
x Chiefte Barules x Stanleg Barnes 12,21,17
Attorney Signature: ARDC #:

## LEDFORD, WU & BORGES, LLC

105 W. Madison, 23rd Floor, Chicago, IL 60602

(312) 853-0200 Fax: (312) 873-4693

Attorney signature:

## ATTORNEY RETENTION CONTRACT

FOR OFFICE USE (7)
Client No. 7233
Responsible attorney: 444

1. Parties. In this contract, "Client" means the undersigned, both individually and jointly; "Attorney" means the law firm of Ledford, Wu & Borges, LLC. and its staff attorneys. This contract shall supersede any prior contracts and agreements between the parties to the extent of any inconsistencies. 2. Services and Fees: Client retains Attorney for the following services: Chapter 7: (Split Fee): Client retains Attorney to counsel and represent Client for all purposes in the bankruptcy case, subject to exceptions in section 3. However, Attorney's representation of Client is conditioned on Client entering into an agreement after the filing of the case to pay Attorney for services rendered after the filing of the case. Should Client fail to enter into such an agreement, the court may allow Attorney to withdraw from representation of Client on motion of Attorney. \_ Filing Fee \$335.00/Installments: Total Pre-Filing \$\_ STO Pre-filing Expenses \$\_\_\_ Pre-filing Legal Fees \$\_ It is anticipated that Client will enter into a post-filing agreement with Attorney for representation through bankruptcy discharge. Client acknowledges that there is no obligation to enter into such an agreement and that any anticipated fees are not agreed to at this time. PLUS \$335 filing fee (court cost): Total Pre-Filing \$\_ ☐ Chapter 7 (Complete fee): \$\_ Balance Due to File: \$ less retainer received: \$\_\_\_\_ Payments: Total Due Pre-filing: \$ 27 The legal fee is an 🗹 advance payment retainer 🗖 security retainer 🗖 classic retainer, and is a flat fee unless otherwise stated. Attorney is unable to represent Client with a classic or security retainer, as that would be within the reach of Client's creditors. Should hourly billing be necessary, Attorney's billing rates are \$350-\$400/hour for partners, \$300/hour for associates, and \$90/hour for law clerks. The filing fee, expenses and billing rates subject to change at any time. The legal fee covers the initial consultation and all subsequent work agreed to above. All fees above are to be paid in full before filing. The case may be closed if the fees are not paid timely. Additional legal fees and court costs may apply, and a separate contract may be required, in the event of conversion from one chapter to another, amending required documents, attending additional creditors' meetings, reopening of a closed case, unnecessary work caused by Client's delay, or any other fact not known to Attorney in writing at the time of the initial consultation that complicates the case. NSF checks will be assessed a \$30 fee. 3. Scope of Representation: (a) Attorney will counsel and represent Client in all aspects of the above matter as elected in Paragraph 2 EXCEPT: (1) adversary proceedings; (2) § 722 redemption; (3) judicial lien avoidance; (4) post-discharge litigation; (5) appeals; (6) other \_ (b) Attorney may agree, but is not obligated, to represent Client in the above excluded matters for an additional fee, to be agreed upon separately by the parties with a separate retention agreement. 4. Initial Consultation. Client acknowledges that Attorney has explained the following (please initial): The options of Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 and that Client has made the choice identified in Paragraph 2 爲 The concepts of exemption, discharge and dischargeability, and pre-filing and post-filing procedures The difference among various types of retainer and that Client has made the choice identified in Paragraph 4 TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. Any delay on Client's part may disqualify Client for the type of relief elected or otherwise adversely affect Client's case. Attorney may not be able to file the case, or take other necessary actions, until all requested documents and/or information, including but not limited to a certificate of credit counseling, are received by Attorney Client understands that the advice given during the initial consultation is preliminary and based on the information available at the time, and may -change as the case is further analyzed, more facts discovered, or Client's circumstances or the law changed. 5. Client's Duties. Client agrees, during the course of representation, to: provide Attorney with full, accurate and timely information, financial and otherwise; follow Attorney's procedures and cooperate with Attorney in providing requested documents; promptly inform Attorney of any change of address, phone number, e-mail address or employment, or activation of military duty; inform Attorney before buying, selling, refinancing or transferring any real or personal property in which Client has an interest, and before incurring any debt, including but not limited to applying for any loan, credit card or line of credit, or using an existing credit card; and promptly inform Attorney if Client becomes entitled to an inheritance, an asset as a result of a property settlement agreement with Client's spouse or a divorce decree, life insurance proceeds, or a monetary judgment, award or settlement. 6. Co-counsel. Client understands that more than one attorney may work on this case. Where necessary, Client agrees to employ one or more of the following outside counsel, at Attorney's expense, to work on this case: Kathleen W. Vaught, Kelly M. Johnson, Wayne J. Skelton, Christina Banyon, David Hall Carter, Derek Lofgren and/or 7. Termination. Client may discharge Attorney at any time, subject to payment of any fee owed for the services already rendered. Attorney may terminate the representation as permitted by the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct and Local Bankruptcy Rules. Any flat fee for a bankruptcy case is advance payment for future services, becomes Attorney's property upon receipt, and is nonrefundable upon filing of the petition. In the event the representation is terminated by either party before filing and Client has paid Attorney more than \$300, Attorney will provide Client with a detailed itemization of the services rendered in support of any fee charged at the rate set forth in Paragraph 2, Client will reimburse Attorney for any expenses, including those that otherwise would be free of charge, and Client authorizes Attorney to apply the filing fee and any payment for expenses that have not been incurred towards the attorney's fee, subject to the requirements set forth herein.

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